ones having scattered their contents in such a way that it is difficult to ascertain the first cases of any kind—The style as well as the dates of the proceedings here cited will shew however that they are among the earliest, and this is all that is aimed at.

"Thomas Petit demandeth two hundred acres for him and

his wife, Arthur Hay 100 and John Gay 100.

7th March, 1641.—Lay out some time before Midsummer next at the furthest for Thomas Petit 200 acres of Land, and for Arthur Hay one hundred acres and for John Gay one hundred acres in any part on the north side of Patuxent river not afore disposed of and this shall be your Warrant.

Thomas Cornwaleys demandeth 2000 acres of Land by first Conditions of Plantation for transporting into the Province five able men servants in the year 1633, viz. J H, &c.

More demandeth 3000 acres of Land by Conditions of Plantation for transporting into the Province 15 able men ser-

vants since the year 1635, viz. M F, &c.

7th March 1641.—Lay out some time before Michaelmass next at the furthest 4000 acres of land in any part of Patowmack River upward of Port Tobacco Creek for Captain Thomas Cornwaleys, Esq. and bound it with the most natural bounds as near as you may to the figure of a parallelogram—And for soe doing this shall be your Warrant.

To Mr. Surveyour or his Deputy.

4th March 1641—Lay out for John Cocksheet, fiftie acres of Land upon the Hill next beyond the hill Creek called St. Joseph's Hill and certifie the bounds thereof unto our Secretary without delay.

Brought into the Province in the year 1637 by Giles

Brent, Esq. 5 servants—Humphrey F, &c.

In the year 1638, six servants with his own person—John W. &c.

9th October, 1639.

Mr. Surveyor,

I would have you set forth a portion of Town land for Captain Giles Brent, Esq. containing to the quantitie of sixtic acres or thereabouts lying nearest together about the Smith's Forge lately built by the said Giles Brent, and for soe doing this shall be your Warrant.

(k) Signed, LEONARD CALVERT.

(k) The preceding Warrants are supposed to be signed and directed in the same manner.